

**International Roundtable on**  
**“Economic Development and Environment in Central Asia”**  
*(Draft Agenda – 8 May 2007 Version)*

*29 June 2007, Tokyo, Japan*  
Elisabeth Rose Hall, UN House

The disintegration of the Soviet Union in 1991 created the situation on not only political vacuum in Central Asia but generated number of political and economic problems in the region. The region is an ethnic mixture, prone to instability without a sense of national identity, but rather a disorder of historical cultural influences and religious dependability. This event aims to contribute to improved understanding of the status of geopolitical and economic settings in Central Asia, and to discuss these in relation with the issues of economic insecurity, migration, environmental issues and options for regional and international cooperation.

Co-organizers: Institute for International Studies and Training (IIST), United Nations University (UNU)

- 13:00 – Registration
- 13:30 – 13:45 Opening Remarks  
*Mr. Takato Ojimi, Vice President and Managing Director, IIST Japan*  
*Prof. Hans J.A. van Ginkel, Rector, UNU*
- 13:45 – 14:00 Welcoming Remarks  
*Representative of the Government of Japan*
- 14:00 – 14:50 Introductory Lectures
- Tajikistan – Issues and Policies  
*Dr. Kokul Kasirov, State Directorate of Protected Areas, Tajikistan*
- Kyrgyzstan – Issues and Policies  
*Prof. Asylbek A Aidaraliev, Special Adviser to the President, International University of Kyrgyzstan, Kyrgyz Republic*
- 14:50 – 15:20 Commentary Lectures
- Governance and Democracy Issues  
*Prof. Dr. Shigeki Hakamada, Aoyama University, Tokyo*
- Environmental Issues  
*Prof. Dr. Shinya Tsuru, Earthwatch-Japan*
- Economic Issues  
*Prof. Dr. Tetsuji Tanaka, Senior Advisor to the Rector of UNU, Executive Director of Central Asia and Caucasia Research Institute, Visiting Professor of National Graduate Institute of Policy Studies*
- 15:20-15:35 Coffee/Tea Break
- 15:35 – 16:15 Roundtable Discussion  
Chairman: *Prof. Dr. Tetsuji Tanaka, Senior Advisor to the Rector of UNU*
- 16:15 – 16:30 Closing Remarks